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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC UNION MEETING IN MOSCOW

1. US DELEGATION TO FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC UNION, TO BE HELD IN MOSCOW JULY 27-AUGUST 3, HAS INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF EMBASSY HOSTING A RECEPTION DURING THE MEETING. DELEGATION WOULD TOTAL ELEVEN PERSONS, INCLUDING CHAIRMAN PROF. ROLAND FUCHS OF UNIVERSITY OF OHIO, DELEGATION SECRETARY DR. GEORGE DEMKO OF OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AND DR. CHAUNCY HARRIS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. TOTAL INVITED TO RECEPTION WOULD BE ABOUT SIXTY INCLUDING SOVIET OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN CONFERENCE AND HEADS OF OTHER DELEGATIONS. US EMBASSIES HAVE HOSTED SUCH RECEPTIONS DURING PREVIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS IN STOCKHOLM, LONDON AND DELHI.

2- NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES HAS OBTAINED FUNDS FOR US EXHIBIT AT MEETING AND TRAVEL OF US PARTICIPANTS BUT HAS NO FUNDING FOR RECEPTION. CAN EMBASSY HOST AND FUND RECEPTION OF PROPOSED SIZE? KISSINGER

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